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Doar Mr. Baruch:

Thank you very much for your letter of January 22 with which you enclosed the copy of the Information Bulletin containing the marked paragraph reporting on the presence of a Miss Masser in Peking.

We here view this report with some skepticism since, according to our information, President Masser has only one sister. She is, in fact, a half-sister who is married and who, to the best of our knowledge, is still residing in Egypt. I must say, however, that she is a very obscure personality about whom not much is known or published, and it is possible, of course, that she could have made a trip to Peking. We are aware that the Chinese in 1956 invited the Egyptian Government to send 1500 students to China and that this proposition was not accepted by the Egyptians. At the moment, we are informed that there are only twelve or thirteen Egyptian students in Communist China and that three or four very recently returned from there in a somewhat disgruntled frame of mind.

While I have not personally had an opportunity to read the book Jet Lighthouse, we know of it and I can easily get hold of a copy and will do so in the next day or two.

With every best wish,

Faithfully yours.

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